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Response to Restriction Requirement

Dear Examiner Fisher:

In response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application, mailed December 3, 2002, the Applicants respectfully elect Invention I, claims 1-30. However, the Applicants respectfully assert that simultaneous examination of Inventions I and II would not place an undue burden on the Examiner because the claims of Invention II are limited to methods practiced in an apparatus of claim 1, i.e., Invention I. See MPEP § 803 ("If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the [E]xaminer must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions."). Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner modify the instant Restriction Requirement, examining Inventions I and II in the instant application.

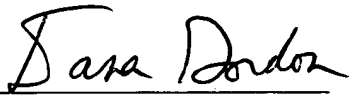
Fees

The Applicants believe that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due in connection with the filing of this Response to our Deposit Account, No. 06-1448.

Conclusion

The Applicants believe that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicant's Attorney would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned.

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